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August 9, 2012

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED Certified Mail No. 70093410000111136647

Mr. John R. Quackenbush Greentech Mining UT LLC PO Box 215 Hanksville, Utah 84734

Dear Mr. Quackenbush:

On July 11, 2012, an email was received from you indicating that Greentech Mining Utah would like to commence operations on the Golden Eagle Claim #103 and stating that the email should serve as thirty day prior notice of operations. By return email the same day, you were reminded that your authorization was contingent on receipt and adjudication of the financial guarantee (copy of email enclosed).

This letter is to inform you that under stipulations set forth by letter dated April 26, 2012 subject: Golden Eagle Placer Mine Plan Of Operations Approved, Conditions of Approval Required, Financial Guarantee Required, that a nesting bird survey was conducted on 7/18/2012 by a Bureau of Land Management (BLM) wildlife specialist from this office. The results of this survey indicated that no nesting birds were present in the area of concern at the time of survey, and therefore, that condition has been met.

Also, set forth in the letter dated April 26, 2012, a Financial Guarantee was required. Please be advised that as of the date of this letter BLM has not received the required bond; nor have we received notification that Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (UDOGM) are in receipt of the required bonding for this project. Therefore you are not authorized to proceed with your

proposed operations *pending receipt and adjudication of reclamation bonding*. If you have questions regarding the required financial guarantee, please contact me at 435-542-3461.

Sincerely,

Sue Fivecoat

Assistant Field Manager

Enclosure:

7/11/12 email correspondence

cc: Wayne Western, UDOGM File

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From: Fivecoat, Sue L DIX OF D

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 11, 2012 3:06 PM **To:** 'John Quackenbush'

Cc: Matthew Neher; Reay, John R; Cook, Gerald D; waynewestern@utah.gov; Wetzel, Wayne

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Subject: RE: Golden Eagle # 103

## John,

Thank you for the advanced notice of your intentions to move forward with mining operations on Golden Eagle #103 claim, UTU-88732. This Plan of Operations was Approved April 26, 2012, subject to Conditions of Approval and Financial Guarantee Required. As identified in the approval letter, "Your authorization to proceed is contingent on receipt and adjudication of your financial guarantee; no work may commence until your financial guarantee is received and accepted by the BLM and Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining (UDOGM)".

You should contact UDOGM and begin the process of submittal of the financial guarantee as soon as possible. It can take some time for the adjudication process to be complete.

Stipulation #9 of the Conditions of Approval had to do with surveys for migratory birds. BLM staff will schedule to conduct those surveys and we will notify you as soon as those are complete.

You had contacted me yesterday regarding the process for an Exploration Permit. It is likely that the process for an Exploration Permit would require a Plan of Operations similar to that of the mining operations already approved.

- 1) Under the 1872 Mining Law (30 U.S.C. 22 et seq.), a person has a <u>statutory right consistent with other laws</u> and Departmental regulations, to go upon the open (unappropriated and unreserved) public lands for the purpose of <u>mineral prospecting</u>, exploration, development, and extraction.
- 2) You must submit a <u>plan of operations</u> and obtain BLM's approval before beginning operations <u>greater than casual use</u>. Casual use does not include use of mechanized earth-moving equipment, truck mounted drilling equipment, motorized vehicles in areas when designated as closed to "off-road vehicles", chemicals or explosives.
- 3) You must submit a <u>plan of operations</u> for any <u>bulk sampling in which you will remove 1,000 tons or more of presumed ore for testing.</u>
- 4) You must submit a complete <u>notice of your operations</u> 15 calendar days before you commence <u>exploration causing surface</u> <u>disturbance of 5 acres or less</u> of public lands <u>on which reclamation has not been completed</u>.

Therefore, unless the location of the proposed exploration activity has previously been disturbed and left unreclaimed, it would require a plan of operations. If you have questions or would like to discuss this further, please contact me.

Sue Fivecoat
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From: John Quackenbush [mailto:jquackenbush@greentechmining.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 11, 2012 12:46 PM

To: Fivecoat, Sue L Cc: Matthew Neher

Subject: Golden Eagle # 103

Permit Reference; 3809 UTC - 88732

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Dear Sue.

I am writing to officially inform you that Greentech Mining Utah, would like to commence operations on our permitted Golden Eagle Claim # 103.

This should serve as our thirty day prior notice of operations.

Thank you.

John Quackenbush

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